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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Shuji NAKAMURA et al.

Group Art Unit:

Serial No.:

Examiner:

Filed: April 27, 2000

For: POINTING DEVICE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to calculating the filing fee for and examination of the above-identified application, please amend the claims as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please AMEND the claims as follows:

5. (ONCE AMENDED) A pointing device as set forth in [any one of claims 1 to 4] claim 1, further comprising a yoke forming a magnetic path, said yoke being arranged in said operating part to at least partially cover said magnet.

Please ADD the following NEW claims:

12. (NEW) A pointing device as set forth in claim 2, further comprising a yoke forming a magnetic path, said yoke being arranged in said operating part to at least partially cover said magnet.

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